

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

**At page 1/line 1, amend the title to read:**

**SYNTHESIS OF ~~PRIMARY HALO~~VINYLSULFONES**

**Replace the Abstract with the following:**

**ABSTRACT**

Disclosed is a process comprising reacting a primary alcohol sulfone with a reducing agent and a halogenating agent in the presence of an amide compound present in an amount of less than 1 part amide per part of primary alcohol sulfone to form a vinylsulfone.